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INITIATION PLANS FILED IN WT DOCKET NO. 06-136

By this Public Notice, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Bureau) announces the filing of Initiation Plans by American Telecasting Development, Inc., American Telecasting Inc., American Telecasting of Lansing, Inc., American Telecasting of Redding, Inc., American Telecasting of Monterey, Inc., American Telecasting of Yuba City, Inc., Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp., and WBSE Licensing Corporation, wholly owned subsidiaries of Sprint Nextel Corporation (collectively "Sprint Nextel"), as well as Clearwire Spectrum Holdings LLC and Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC, wholly-owned subsidiaries of Clearwire Corporation (together "Clearwire") regarding the transition of the 2500-2690 MHz band.

On July 29, 2004, the Commission released a *Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (BRS/EBS R&O and FNPRM)* that revamped the rules and policies governing the licensing of services in the 2500-2690 MHz MDS/ITFS band. In particular, the Commission adopted a new band plan that restructures the 2500-2690 MHz band into upper and lower-band segments for low-power operations (UBS and LBS, respectively), and a mid-band segment (MBS) for high-power operations. The Commission also adopted a transition plan for relocating Educational Broadband Service (EBS) licensees and Broadband Radio Service (BRS) licensees from their current channel locations to their new spectrum blocks in the LBS, MBS, or UBS. Specifically, the transition occurs in the following five phases: (1) initiating the transition process by filing an Initiation Plan with the Commission; (2) planning the transition; (3) reimbursing the costs of the transition; (4) terminating existing operations in transitioned markets; and (5) completing the transition by filing the Post-transition Notification with the Commission and sending a copy to all affected BRS and EBS licensees.²

On April 27, 2006, the Commission released a *Third Memorandum Opinion and Order and Second Report and Order (BRS/EBS 3rd MO&O)* that, among other things, revised the transition area size from Major Economic Areas (MEAs) to Basic Trading Areas (BTAs).³ The Commission also

¹ See Amendment of Parts 1, 21, 73, 74 and 101 of the Commission's Rules to Facilitate the Provision of Fixed and Mobile Broadband Access, Educational and Other Advanced Services in the 2150-2162 and 2500-2690 MHz Bands, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, WT Docket No. 03-66, 19 FCC Rcd 14165 (2004) (BRS/EBS R&O and FNPRM as appropriate).

² *Id.* at 14198 ¶ 74.

³ Amendment of Parts 1, 21, 73, 74 and 101 of the Commission's Rules to Facilitate the Provision of Fixed and Mobile Broadband Access, Educational and Other Advanced Services in the 2150-2162 and 2500-2690 MHz Bands,

determined that the transition can be undertaken by multiple proponents, and that the first entity to file an Initiation Plan with the Commission is the proponent for a given BTA.⁴ Therefore, the first entity to file an Initiation Plan with the Commission shall automatically be designated as the proponent for a given BTA at the time it files, without any action required by the Commission or the Bureau, and the 90-day Transition Planning Period for that BTA shall begin on the day after the proponent files the Initiation Plan.⁵ In order to facilitate the availability of information for BRS and EBS licensees and lessees, however, the Commission directed the Bureau to release a Public Notice indicating when Initiation Plans have been filed with the Commission.⁶ Entities that wish to file Initiation Plans under the rules set forth in the BRS/EBS 3rd MO&O must file on or after July 19, 2006, the date these rules became effective, and before January 19, 2009.⁷

The Initiation Plans listed in the Appendix to this Public Notice were filed as described in the Appendix. Our records indicate that American Telecasting Development. Inc., American Telecasting, Inc., American Telecasting of Redding, Inc., American Telecasting of Monterey, Inc., American Telecasting of Yuba City, Inc., Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp., WBSE Licensing Corporation, Clearwire Spectrum Holdings, LLC, and Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC, are the proponents for these BTAs, as of the dates the Initiation Plans were filed.

Copies of the Initiation Plans listed above, as well as other documents filed in WT Docket No. 06-136, may be obtained from Best Copy and Printing, Inc. in person at 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554, via telephone at (202) 488-5300, via facsimile at (202) 488-5563, or via e-mail at fcc@bcpiweb.com. These documents are also available for public inspection and copying during normal reference room hours at the following Commission office: FCC Reference Information Center, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554. The documents are also available electronically through the Commission's ECFS, under WT Docket No. 06-136, which may be accessed on the Commission's Internet website at http://www.fcc.gov.

By the Chief, Broadband Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

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Third Memorandum Opinion and Order and Second Report and Order, WT Docket No. 03-66, 21 FCC Rcd 5606, 5642 \P 65 (2006) (BRS/EBS 3rd MO&O).

⁴ Id, 21 FCC Red at 5652 ¶¶ 91-92; 47 C.F.R. §§ 27.1231(c), 27.1231(f).

⁵ BRS/EBS 3rd MO&O, 21 FCC Rcd at 5652-5653, 5659 ¶¶ 93, 107. See also 47 C.F.R. § 27.1232.

⁶ BRS/EBS 3rd MO&O, 21 FCC Rcd at 5653 ¶ 93.

 $^{^7}$ See 71 Fed. Reg. 35178 (June 19, 2006); BRS/EBS 3rd MO&O, 21 FCC Rcd at 5658 \P 106; 47 C.F.R. §§ 27.1231(f).

APPENDIX – INITIATION PLANS FILED

Number	BTA Name	Proponent	Date Filed
BTA03	Abilene, Texas	Clearwire Spectrum Holdings, LLC	2/14/2007
BTA07	Albany-Schenectady, New York	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/16/2007
BTA10	Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, Pennsylvania	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/16/2007
BTA13	Amarillo, Texas	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/9/2007
BTA28	Bakersfield, California	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/19/2007
BTA57	Brownwood, Texas	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/12/2007
BTA79	Chico-Oroville, California	American Telecasting Development, Inc.	2/9/2007
BTA124	El Centro-Calexico, California	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/8/2007
BTA134	Eureka, California	WBSE Licensing Corporation	2/16/2007
BTA157	Fresno, California	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/14/2007
BTA181	Harrisburg, Pennsylvania	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/16/2007
BTA184	Hartford, Connecticut	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/7/2007
BTA198	Huntsville, Alabama	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/14/2007
BTA228	Kennewick-Pasco-Richland, Washington	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/16/2007
BTA240	Lancaster, Pennsylvania	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/7/2007
BTA241	Lansing, Michigan	American Telecasting of Lansing, Inc.	2/16/2007
BTA242	Laredo, Texas	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/19/2007
BTA268	McAilen, Texas	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/19/2007
BTA290	Memphis, Tennessee	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/14/2007
BTA291	Merced, California	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/14/2007
BTA314	Nashville, Tennessee	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/14/2007
BTA341	Paris, Texas	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/16/2007
BTA350	Pittsburg, PA	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/14/2007
BTA364	Providence-Pawtucket, Rhode Island-New Bedford-Fall River, Massachusetts	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/9/2007
BTA370	Reading, Pennsylvania	Clearwire Spectrum Holdings, LLC	2/16/2007

BTA371	Redding, California	American Telecasting of Redding, Inc.	2/9/2007
BTA389	Sacramento, California	American Telecasting Development, Inc.	2/9/2007
BTA397	Salinas-Monterey, California	American Telecasting of Monterey, Inc.	2/19/2007
BTA418	Sherman-Denison, Texas	Clearwire Spectrum Holdings, LLC	2/16/2007
BTA434	Stockton, California	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/16/2007
BTA441	Temple-Killeen, Texas	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/12/2007
BTA452	Tyler, Texas	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/13/2007
BTA459	Waco, Texas	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/12/2007
BTA460	Walla Walla, WA-Pendleton, Oregon	Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC	2/16/2007
BTA473	Wichita Falls, Texas	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/13/2007
BTA483	York-Hanover, Pennsylvania	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	2/7/2007
BTA485	Yuba City-Marysville, California	American Telecasting of Yuba City, Inc.	2/20/2007